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This application is abandoned in view of:

1. ☒ Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on 12/14/04.
2. ☐ A reply was received on _____ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated _____), which is after the expiration of the period for reply (including a total extension of time of _____ month(s)) which expired on _____.
3. ☐ A proposed reply was received on _____, but it does not constitute a proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 (a) to the final rejection. (A proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to a final rejection consists only of: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114).
4. ☐ A reply was received on _____ but it does not constitute a proper reply, or a bona fide attempt at a proper reply, to the non-final rejection. See 37 CFR 1.85(a) and 1.111. (See explanation in box 7 below).
5. ☒ No reply has been received.
6. ☐ Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).
7. ☐ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, was received on _____ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated _____), which is after the expiration of the statutory period for payment of the issue fee (and publication fee) set in the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).
8. ☐ The submitted fee of \$_____ is insufficient. A balance of \$_____ is due. The issue fee required by 37 CFR 1.18 is \$_____. The publication fee, if required by 37 CFR 1.18(d), is \$_____.
9. ☐ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, has not been received.
10. ☐ Applicant's failure to timely file corrected drawings as required by, and within the three-month period set in, the Notice of Allowability (PTO-37).
11. ☐ Proposed corrected drawings were received on _____ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated _____), which is after the expiration of the period for reply.
12. ☐ No corrected drawings have been received.
13. ☐ The letter of express abandonment which is signed by the attorney or agent of record, the assignee of the entire interest, or all of the applicants.
14. ☐ The letter of express abandonment which is signed by an attorney or agent (acting in a representative capacity under 37 CFR 1.34(a)) upon the filing of a continuing application.
15. ☐ The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interference rendered on _____ and because the period for seeking court review of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claims.
16. ☐ The reason(s) below:

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**CUSTOMER NO. 22927**

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Application No.: 09/603,677
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Title: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SELECTING A SUPPLEMENTAL
PRODUCT TO OFFER FOR SALE DURING A TRANSACTION**

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PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.27 (g) (2)**

Dear Sir:

Please change the fee status of the above-identified application from a small entity to a large entity. This notification is made pursuant to 37 CFR §1.27(g)(2). The assignee of the above-identified application no longer claims small entity status. Therefore, please change the fee status of the application to that of a large entity. Also, change the fee status of any continuing applications claiming benefit under 35 USC §§ 119(e), 120, 121, or 365(c).

If the Examiner has any questions about this status change, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (203) 461-7292. While no fees are believed due in connection with this paper, please charge any fees that may be required for this paper, or with any other papers filed in connection with this application to Deposit Account No. 50-0271. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for such purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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